

Michigan's 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative



Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Outcomes & Return on Investment Fiscal Year 2008 Report



An interagency initiative to prevent child abuse & neglect

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Michigan's 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative is a statewide collaborative child abuse and neglect (CAN) prevention project charged with integrating a system of services for expectant families and those with children age birth through three years who have been identified to be at risk of CAN. Zero to Three Secondary Prevention programs serve Michigan's most vulnerable populations that have multiple CAN risk factors known to be precursors to child maltreatment. Risk factors include, but are not limited to, a family with a history of CAN, parents who perceive harsh punishment as appropriate, parent(s) with rigid and/or unrealistic expectations concerning child development, an unwanted pregnancy, a limited or nonexistent support system, social isolation, multiple crises and unemployment. Eligible families may not have an open Children's Protective Services case (Category I or II Disposition).

Zero to Three programs are supported through interagency funding and operate contingent upon legislative appropriations. In Fiscal Year 2008, funding totaled \$6,649,000 reflecting a 39.28% increase in appropriations over Fiscal Year 2006 levels.¹ However, this increase reflects a partial restoration in funding for Zero to Three. Zero to Three appropriations were \$7,750,000 and then declined in Fiscal Years 2002 through 2004, with appropriations remaining level at \$4,774,000 until Fiscal Year 2007 when funding began to increase based upon outstanding outcomes and solid return on investment. The initiative funded 52 grants that served at-risk families with very young children in 56 Michigan counties in Fiscal Year 2008.

Zero to Three is administered by the Children's Trust Fund (CTF) through an Interagency Agreement and has entered its 12th year of providing CAN prevention services to at-risk children and families in Michigan. The enabling legislation mandates that 0-3 funds be allocated to grants that support community based collaborative prevention programs designed to foster positive parenting skills, improve parent-child interactions, promote access to needed community services, increase local capacity to serve families at risk, improve school readiness, and support healthy environments that discourage alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use.

Grantees provide evidence and research based, family-centered prevention services to at-risk families who may not be eligible for services through other human service agencies. Parental involvement and commitment is required. Through stable and responsive programming, the 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative is preventing child abuse and neglect. Many needy families are at or below poverty levels, however, the need for prevention services crosses all socioeconomic classes.

In Fiscal Year 2008, on average each quarter, 0-3 Secondary Prevention program data show: ²

- 2,886 families of which 2,644 (91.60%) had three or more CAN risk factors were served.
- 3,320 children were served.
- 283 expectant mothers were served.
- 28,199 at risk families were referred for services and screened for CAN risk.
- 2,101 new families were determined to be appropriate for services and were enrolled in programs.
- 2,229 new children were enrolled in programs.
- 391 new expectant mothers were enrolled in programs.
- 3,172 families completed services.³
- 97% of families served reported that they were satisfied with the services.
- 94.5% of families served reported improved parenting skills as a result of services.
- 65,524 direct child abuse and neglect prevention services were delivered.⁴
- 75,088 supplemental support and/or ancillary child abuse and neglect prevention services were delivered.⁵

¹ PA 131, Section 517 (DHS; \$4,000,000), PA 137, Section 32(c), State School Aid Act (MDE; \$2,125,000), & PA 123, Section 113 (DCH; \$524,000) of 2007.

² Unduplicated counts.

³ This increase over fiscal year 2007 is due to program closings because of insufficient appropriations to award funding to 18 applicant grantees in fiscal year 2009.

⁴ Home visits, counseling, parenting classes, etc.,

⁵ Community referrals, other community based services.

- Overall, 140,612 prevention services were delivered to Michigan families.

Child abuse and neglect prevention services that were delivered to children and families:

- 66.8% were home based services (e.g. home visitation child abuse and neglect intervention services).
- 23.8% were service coordination activities/referrals.
- 9.4% were services focusing on parenting classes, parenting skill improvement, parent support groups, child care & respite care, parent/family counseling and transportation.

In Fiscal Year 2008, Zero to Three served 25,956 families, including those newly enrolled and those continuing in prevention services, where risk factors had not yet been reduced to an acceptable level.⁶

Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative Outcomes

Outcomes are categorized by the legislative requirements. Data for the legislative requirements are provided using three data collection tools: quarterly data collection forms, the Adult Adolescent Parenting Inventory (AAPI-2)⁷ and an analysis of child protective services involvement.

Foster positive parenting skills: Supporting parents in strengthening characteristics that lend stability to their child's development. These programs focus on helping parents increase their understanding of child development, increase awareness and responsiveness to child engagement, increase understanding of appropriate child discipline techniques, and provide a safe and nurturing home environment.

- Using the AAPI-2 to assess at-risk parenting attitudes from January 2005 through September 30, 2008, 45.30% of participants with more than one AAPI-2 inventory were found to be at-risk of child abuse and/or neglect on their initial administration in an average of two constructs; of these at-risk participants, 36.40% were found not to be at-risk at their next assessment indicating a decrease in at-risk parenting attitudes. Those still at-risk are, as an average, at-risk in 1.64 of the five constructs.
- The average number of risk factors within the AAPI-2 decreased from 0.75 on the pre-test to 0.71 on a six month follow-up inventory and to 0.66 on the twelve month follow-up (third administration).
- 100% of programs are providing home visits with individualized instruction or promoting access to parenting skills classes focusing on basic child care and child safety, an outcome that has remained stable since Fiscal Year 2005.

Improved parent/child interactions: Assisting and supporting parents to be appropriately responsive and consistent with the child's development and safety. The Zero to Three programs focus on improving parent and child interactions, including building understanding for the child's bids for attention, moods, emotions, expressions of interests and efforts to communicate.

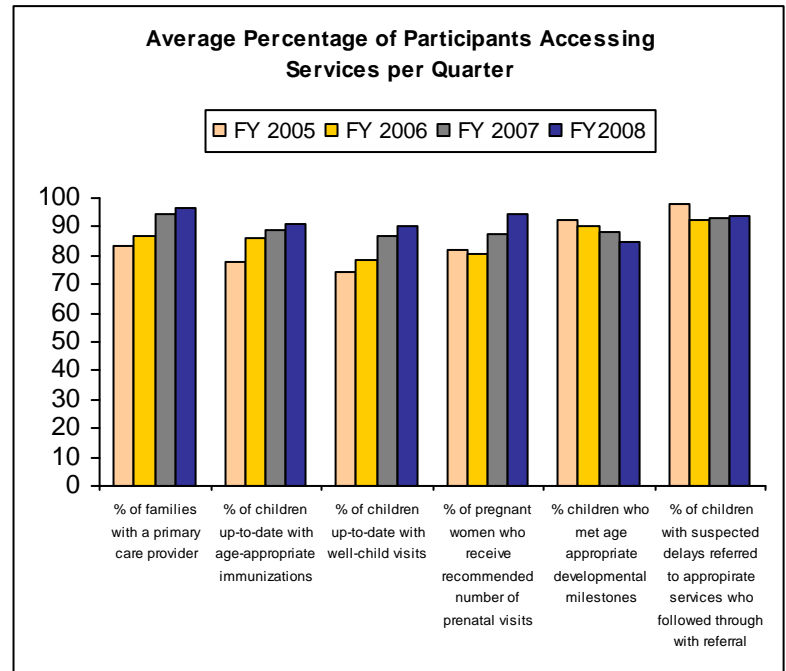
- The number of families served in each of the four quarters in Fiscal Year 2008 ranged between 2,834 and 2,932; averaging 2,886 families served each quarter. This is an increase from 2,571 families served each quarter in Fiscal Year 2007.
- An analysis of Child Protective Services records shows that 99.41% of the at-risk children and families served in Zero to Three Secondary Prevention in Fiscal Year 2008 did not have a Category I or II CPS Disposition while enrolled, which would have indicated a preponderance of evidence of abuse or neglect and that a high risk for future maltreatment existed.
- 99.86% of 3,172 children served and exiting services in 2008 did not subsequently have a Category I or II CPS Disposition after exiting services as of September 30, 2008.

⁶ Duplicated counts.

⁷ The AAPI-2 is an assessment tool administered to parents to evaluate trends in parenting attitudes.

Promote access to needed community services: Assistance for families to identify services to meet family needs and assist to remove barriers to accessing these services. This component includes specialized services that the child may need as well as services for the entire family.

- 50.7% of children served in Fiscal Year 2008, on average, participated in developmental screenings per quarter, an increase from Fiscal Year 2007. All children receive screening when appropriate but may not warrant a screening every quarter.
- On average, 83.7% of children not meeting developmental goals were referred to appropriate services, an increase from Fiscal Year 2007. It is noteworthy that 94% of families followed through with the referrals, holding constant with previous fiscal years.
- Each quarter, 90.1% of children are up-to-date with well-child visits.
- 96.7% of families served, per quarter, have access to a primary health care provider.
- 94.2% of pregnant women, on average, have the recommended number of prenatal care visits. This is 24.9% higher than the national average of 75%⁸



Improve school readiness: Efforts to contribute to the well-being of children so they are ready to succeed in school and life is paramount in the first years of life. Zero to Three Secondary Prevention focuses on readiness factors to succeed including social, emotional and physical health, communication, enthusiasm and curiosity, the ability to problem solve and being grounded in safe, stable, consistent, and nurturing relationships.

- 91.1% of children served, per quarter, are up to date with age appropriate immunizations, an increase from Fiscal Year 2007.
- 84.4% of children assessed per quarter meet age appropriate developmental milestones.

Increase local capacity to serve families at-risk: Building capacity and expanding prevention programs in communities. Programs should maintain a stable level of services with steady matching funds and local supports so families identified to be at the greatest risk and need can receive community interventions.

- On average, 93.6% of families served per quarter have three or more risk factors for child abuse and/or neglect.
- 100% of programs maintained the number and types of services available to families throughout the year.
- Programs have consistently secured match funds to maintain the appropriate level of services delivered to the children and families enrolled in this child abuse and neglect prevention interagency initiative. This is not only a legislative mandate, it is necessary to cover total program costs. In Fiscal Year 2008, \$2,223,340 cash and \$755,324 in-kind contributions supported \$5,827,469 (96%) of the appropriated funds to direct service programs. This exceeded grant awards by 47.67%.

Support healthy family environments that discourage alcohol, tobacco and other drug use: Information and support that encourage healthy life choices, a physical environment that protects family members from injuries and illness and discourages use/abuse of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol are important to prevention activities. Zero to

⁸ United Health Foundation (2007). America's Health Rankings: A Call to Action for People and Their Communities.

Three Secondary Prevention grants incorporate this information into home visiting and parenting education activities.

- 100% of programs included educational opportunities and supports for healthy family environments free of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Promotion of Marriage: These activities support healthy relationships so that child well-being is maximized. The promotion of marriage and/or healthy couple relationships is no longer a legislative requirement, however, many of the 0-3 Secondary Prevention programs provide information and support regarding the benefits of father involvement in child development. The majority of activities in Fiscal Year 2008 aided participants in gaining access to information on marriage and healthy relationships, enhancing positive relationship skills including effective communication and problem solving, promoting father involvement and preventing domestic violence.

- 100% of programs have provided marriage and healthy relationship information and/or programming in Fiscal Year 2008.

Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory (AAPI-2) Data

In Fiscal Year 2008, the Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative continued the use of the AAPI-2 with all 52 continuing programs. Based on the data collected and analyzed since January 2005, significant changes in parenting attitudes and decreases in risk factors are evident. While the evaluation is setting longitudinal goals, annual analyses show successes for families and children served.

The AAPI-2 measures parenting attitudes for five known attributes of those who maltreat children. The five constructs are *Appropriate Expectations of Children*, *Empathy for the Needs of the Child*, *Alternatives to Corporal Punishment*, *Appropriate Parent and Child Roles* and *Valuing Children's Power and Independence*. Scores for each of the five AAPI-2 constructs range from a low of 1 to a high of 10; a score of 1, 2 or 3 on a construct is considered at-risk for the given construct. The AAPI-2 inventory uses a Demographic Questionnaire to track demographic and other life changes for participating families throughout their involvement. Based on data available to date, the following is known about those participating in the AAPI-2 Evaluation and Zero to Three Secondary Prevention:

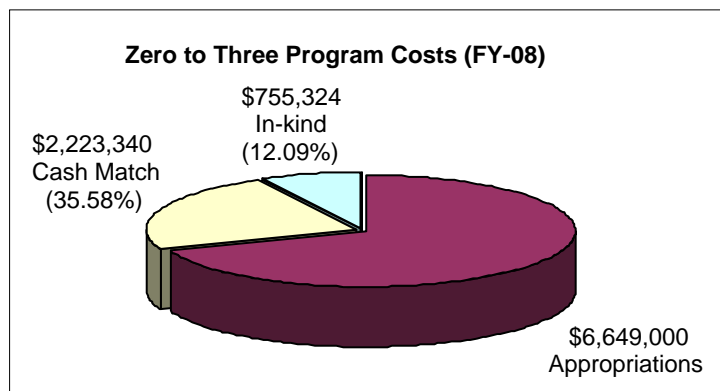
- The majority of participants are female (95.3%), white (77.10%) and adults (93.2%).
- 15.2% of participants are teen parents.
- 53.6% of participants report an approximate annual household income of \$15,000 or less.
- 34.6% of participants are married and 38.20% are single women; the remaining participants are single men, unmarried couples or are separated or divorced.
- 45.3% of participants, on their initial administration, have at least one AAPI-2 Construct Score that places them at risk; 43.2% of participants with a 6-month follow up assessment and 42.2% of participants with an annual follow up assessment (third administration) have at least one construct that place them at-risk.

Participant's scores on the AAPI-2 are, on average, within normal levels, with construct scores four or higher. The average initial AAPI-2 score determined at program enrollment, for those taking at least two inventories, are listed below by construct:

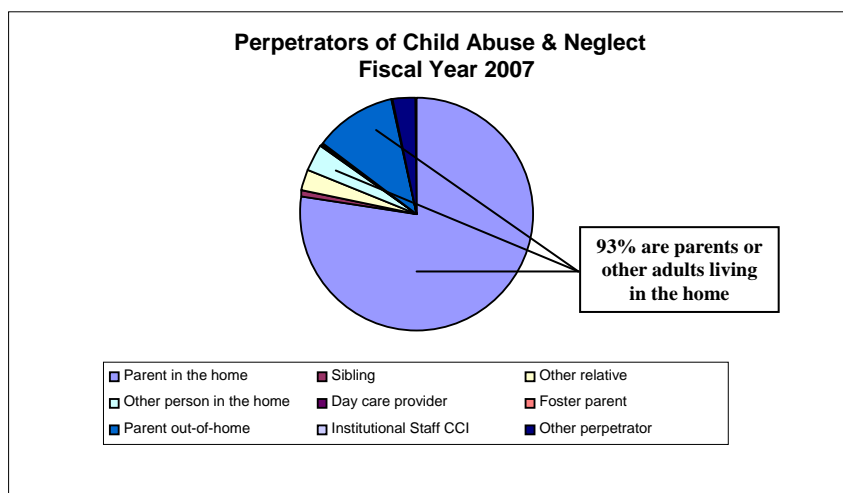
- Appropriate Expectations of Children: 5.63; 9.4% of participants are at risk.
- Empathy for Children's Needs: 5.07; 22.9% of participants are at risk.
- Alternative to Corporal Punishment: 5.51; 15% of participants are at risk.
- Appropriate Parent and Child Roles: 5.86; 15.8% of participants are at risk.
- Valuing Children's Power and Independence: 5.84; 16% of participants are at risk.

Match Requirements & Total Program Costs

Grantees include intermediate school districts, public health departments, mental health agencies, community action agencies, extension services (MSU), child abuse prevention councils and other public and private non-profit organizations. Grantees are required to match 0-3 funds with a 25% minimum match of which not more than 10% may be in-kind goods or services. In Fiscal Year 2008, 100% of grantees complied with the match requirement and, in fact, most exceeded it. Total program costs were \$9,159,503 surpassing grant awards by 47.67%. Zero to Three Secondary Prevention grantees were able to leverage appropriated funds with community based collaborative cash and in-kind matches to cover total program costs.



Statement of Need: Each day, more than 337 child abuse and neglect complaints are reported in Michigan. Many more suspected CAN complaints go unreported. On average, 38% of all substantiated child abuse and neglect complaints and 77% of all child fatalities due to maltreatment involve children age birth through three years.⁹ In fact, nationally four children die each day as a result of child abuse.



From October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008 there were 29,638 substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect in Michigan. This reflects a 4.63% increase in all confirmed cases of child maltreatment over Fiscal Year 2007.¹⁰ Of these confirmed cases, 12,926 (44%) were for children under four years old and 6,064 (20.46%) involved children less than one year old. The majority of services provided by Zero to Three are through in-home visitation. Note that 93% of the perpetrators of child abuse and neglect are parents and/or other adults living in the home.

Costs: The cost of child abuse and neglect, both in human and monetary terms, is staggering. Nationally, the total cost of child abuse and neglect is about \$104 billion per year and in Michigan, it is approximately \$1.8 billion.¹¹ In Fiscal Year 2007, the direct cost of child abuse and neglect in Michigan, adjusted for inflation, was estimated to be \$559,772,906.¹² The direct cost of child abuse and neglect for children ages birth through three years was an estimated \$246,300,079.

In Fiscal Year 2007, there were over 19,000 children in foster care or other out of home placements as a result of child abuse and neglect. Of these, the parents of 6,200 children have had their parental rights terminated. It is the goal of DHS to achieve permanency for all of these children. The number of adoption subsidy cases has grown from 11,853 in 1996 to over 27,000 in 2007. Correspondingly, the costs have increased 166.25% (\$80 M₁₉₉₆ to \$213M₂₀₀₇).

⁹ United States Department of Health and Human Services (2006)

¹⁰ Department of Human Services, CPS Complaint Trends, FY-96 to FY-07

¹¹ Prevent Child Abuse America (2008)

¹² Cost of Child Abuse and Neglect in Michigan, National Center on Child Abuse & Neglect Data Set, 1996, (revised 2003); annual adjustment for inflation at 2%

Future Costs: Preventing children from living in unsafe environments where they may experience abuse and/or neglect reduces the risk or potential that they become future perpetrators of abuse and neglect and criminality. Indirect costs of over \$70 billion include loss of productivity as well as expenditures related to chronic health problems, special education, and the criminal justice system.

For many children, these effects extend far beyond childhood into adolescence and adulthood, potentially compromising the lifetime productivity of maltreatment victims. It is well documented that children who have been abused or neglected are more likely to experience adverse outcomes throughout their life span in a number of areas:^{13,14}

- Poor physical health (e.g., chronic fatigue, altered immune function, hypertension, sexually transmitted diseases, obesity);
- Poor emotional and mental health (e.g., depression, anxiety, eating disorders, suicidal thoughts and attempts, post-traumatic stress disorder);
- Social difficulties (e.g., insecure attachments with caregivers, which may lead to difficulties in developing trusting relationships with peers and adults later in life);
- Cognitive dysfunction (e.g., deficits in attention, abstract reasoning, language development, and problem-solving skills, which ultimately affect academic achievement and school performance);
- High-risk health behaviors (e.g., a higher number of lifetime sexual partners, younger age at first voluntary intercourse, teen pregnancy, alcohol and substance abuse);
- Behavioral problems (e.g., aggression, juvenile delinquency, adult criminality, abusive or violent behavior);
- Victims of abuse and neglect are nearly 30% more likely to be arrested for violent crimes as adults, compared to those free of abuse; or
- Nationally, 37% of incarcerated women were abused as children.

Investment in children and early childhood programs will produce a solid return and save tax dollars. Michigan will actually have more money to dedicate to other uses in the future by investing today in evidenced based programs to help children get a safe and healthy start. Research clearly demonstrates the cost effectiveness of these programs.

The Return on Investment for 0-3 Secondary Prevention

In Fiscal Year 2007, the total cost per family of Michigan's 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative was less than \$10 per day vs. \$57 per child per day in the direct costs associated with child abuse and neglect. The total program cost of Michigan's 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative was less than 5% of the direct cost of confirmed child abuse and neglect victims age birth to three years.

Prevention strengthens families and is cost effective. Predicting how many children who received 0-3 Secondary Prevention services would have become confirmed victims of child abuse and neglect, had they not participated in the program, is challenging if not impossible. Of the 2,886 at risk children and families who received 0-3 Secondary Prevention services each quarter, 2,644 were assessed to have three or more risk factors that are known to be precursors to child abuse and neglect. Although these families were at high risk, 99.41% were not involved in a CPS Category I or II CAN substantiation while receiving 0-3 Secondary Prevention services. Furthermore, of the 3,172 families that exited programs after completing services, 99.86% were not involved in a Category I or II CPS disposition as of September 30, 2008. The 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative is a valuable resource in a continuum of services that impact family stability and help prevent child abuse and neglect from occurring. Based on Fiscal Year 2007 CPS data, by preventing child abuse and neglect and families entering the child welfare system, Zero to Three saved Michigan taxpayers an estimated \$49,635,036 with a Return on Investment of 516%.¹⁵

¹³ Prevent Child Abuse America (2008)

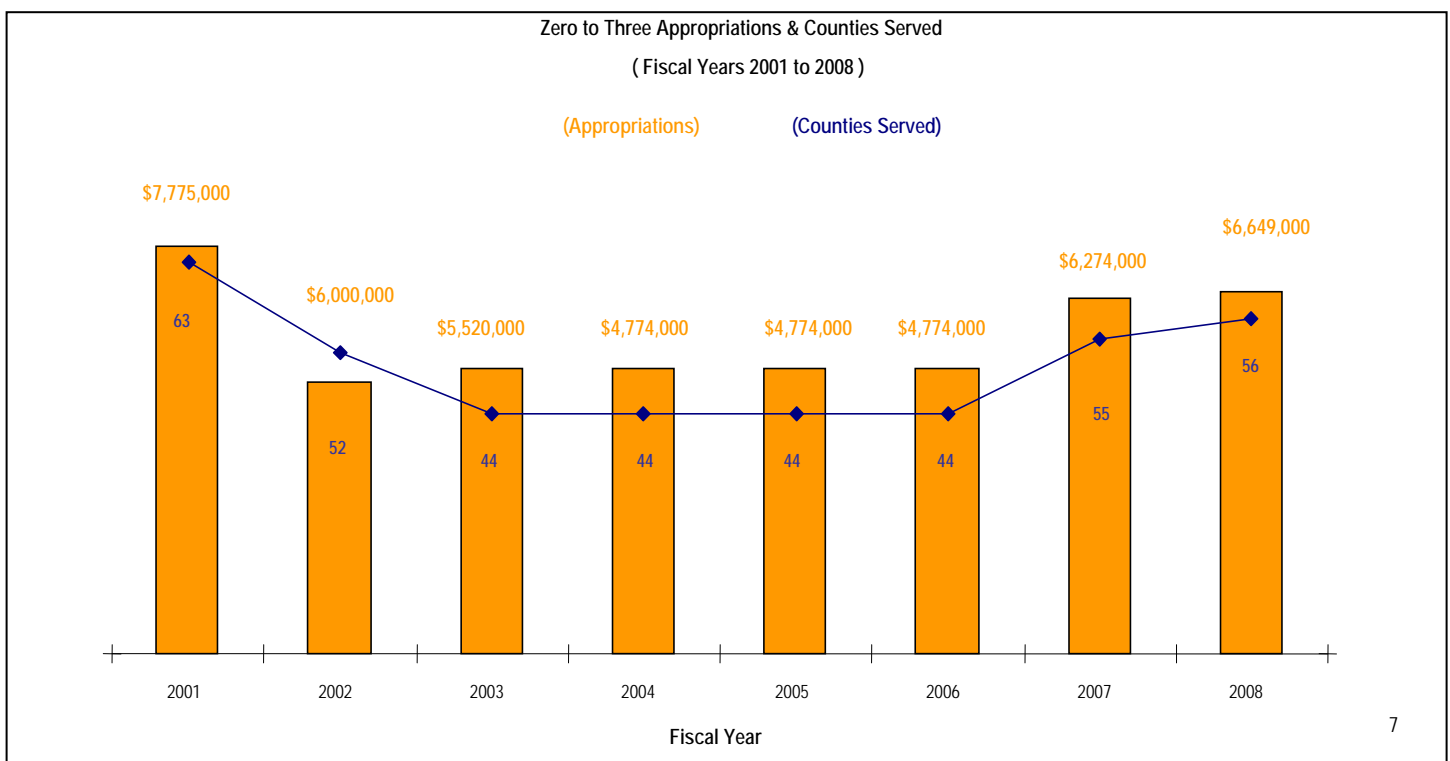
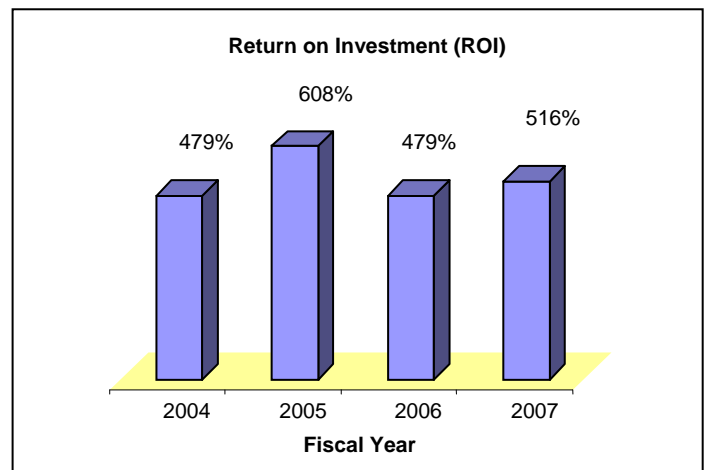
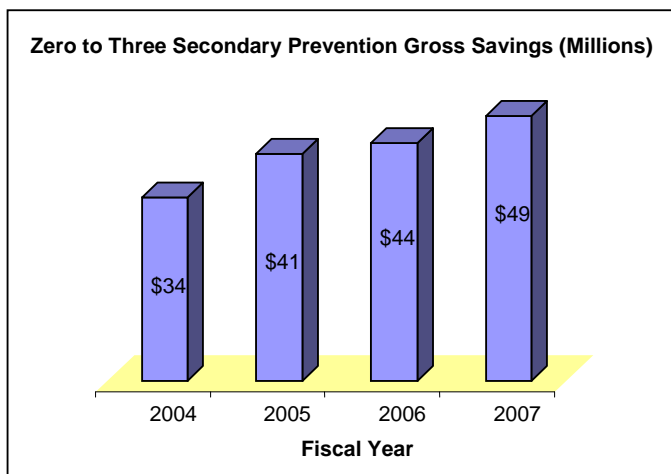
¹⁴ Fight Crime, Invest in Kids, Michigan

¹⁵ Total Program Costs Basis

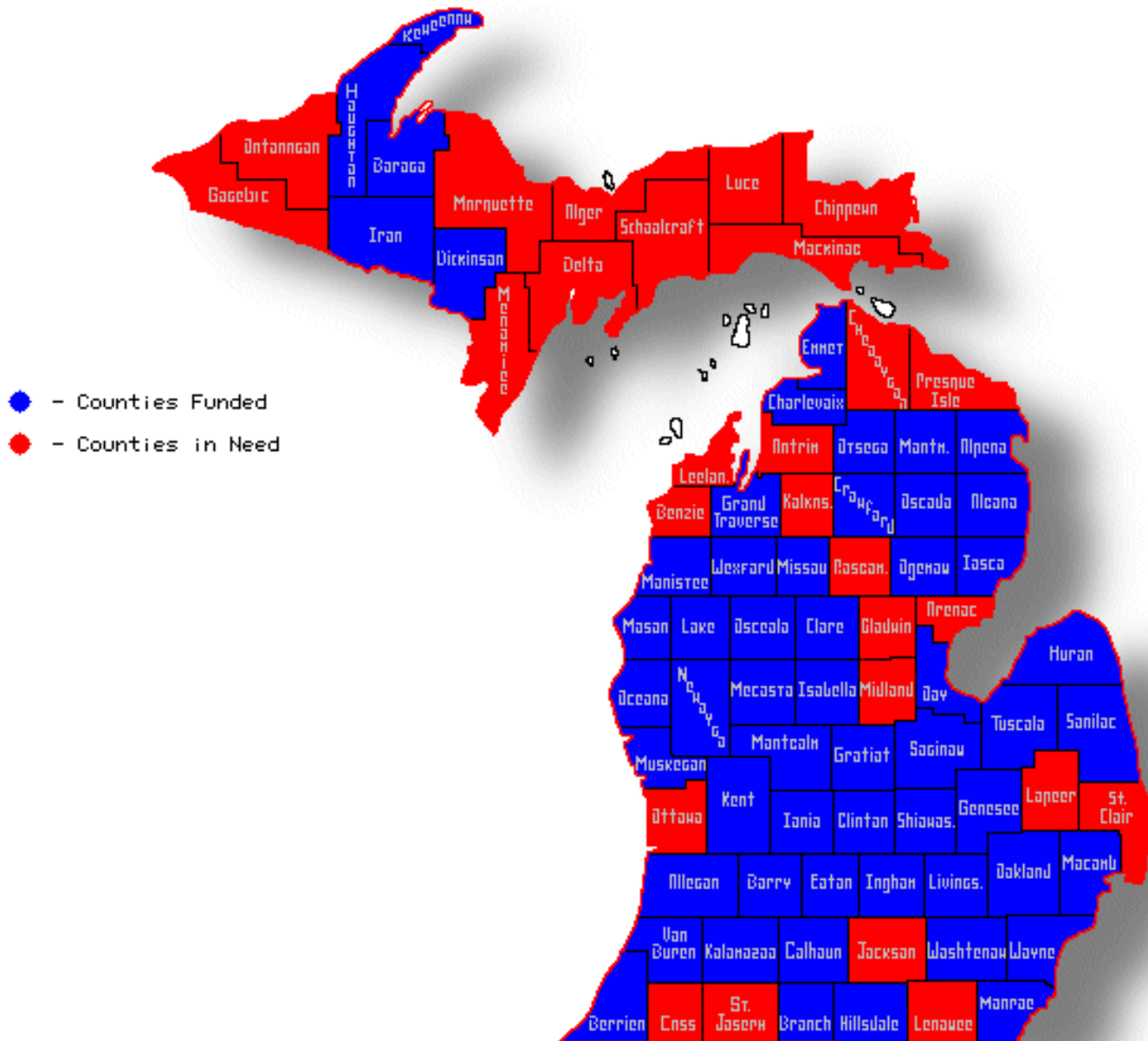
The return on investment calculation, albeit complex, reduces to *increased resources equals increased child abuse and neglect prevention equals increased savings*.

Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Gross Savings & Return on Investment Fiscal Year 2008

Child Abuse and Neglect Direct Costs, Gross Savings and Return on Investment (R.O.I.)				
Fiscal Year	Direct Costs	Gross Savings	0-3 Secondary Prevention Costs	R.O.I.
2004	\$199,276, 980	\$33,804,176	\$4,774,000 (Appropriations)	709% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2004	\$199,276,980	\$33,804,176	\$7,051,133 (Total Program Costs)	479% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2005	\$186,110,574	\$41,268,095	\$4,774,000 (Appropriations)	864% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2005	\$186,110,574	\$41,268,095	\$6,785,024 (Total Program Costs)	608% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2006	\$187,254,217	\$43,704,518	\$6,274,000 (Appropriations)	697% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2006	\$187,254,217	\$43,704,518	\$9,125,630 (Total Program Costs)	479% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2007	\$246,300,079	\$49,635,036	\$6,649,000 (Appropriations)	747% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2007	\$246,300,079	\$49,365,036	\$9,627,664 (Total Program Costs)	516% (Total Program Costs Basis)



Michigan Counties Funded in Fiscal Year 2008



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Allegan Area Educational Service Agency

County Served: Allegan; Contact: Kerenda Applebey (269) 673-6954; Grant Amount: \$128,374

The 0-3 Prevention project will provide early identification and referrals, home visits, parenting education classes, and bilingual parenting services. The Parents as Teachers curriculum is utilized to strengthen parent's ability to understand their child's development and prepare them for school.

AuSable Valley Community Mental Health

Counties Served: Iosco & Ogemaw; Contact: Karen Wright (989) 362-8636; Grant Amount: \$77,081

The Infant Mental Health Services provide home and community visits to families with multiple risk factors associated with child abuse and/or neglect. Specialists are qualified Child Mental Health Specialists who work with the family to provide counseling, parenting and child development education, referrals for other services and transportation to appointments.

Barry-Eaton District Health Department

Counties Served: Barry & Eaton; Contact: Suzanne Thuma (517) 541-2603; Grant Amount: \$124,360

Healthy Families Barry Eaton is a home visiting program that provides screening, assessment, parenting education, information/referral, and linkages with community services. Several curricula are utilized depending on the needs of the family.

Capstone/Berrien County Health Dept.

County Served: Berrien; Contact: Judith Burnison (269) 926-1979; Grant Amount: \$202,250

The Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation program will provide parenting education and assessment through home visiting services to low-income, first-time mothers and their families.

BHK Child Development Board

Counties Served: Houghton, Keweenaw & Baraga; Contact: Rod Liimatainen (906) 482-3663; Grant Amount: \$193,532

Services include: In-home Infant Mental Health services, increased access to Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP), respite care, emergency and sick-child care and coordination of services by a consolidated 0-3 advisory council. Baraga services provided include parenting education, play groups, Super Saturday programs, respite care and linkages to health and other community services.

BHK Child Development Board (new)

Counties Served: Houghton, Keweenaw & Baraga; Contact: Rod Liimatainen (906) 482-3663; Grant Amount: \$100,000

The Early Start: 0-3 Project supports at-risk pregnant mothers and families with infants and toddlers through home visits, parent-child playgroups and Playtime in the Park socialization opportunities, parenting classes, access to prevention-oriented resources and materials in Toy Libraries and connections/referrals to additional services provided by the grantee and its community partners.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Hillsdale; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 x116; Grant Amount: \$84,360

The Healthy Beginnings program is based on the Healthy Families model and promotes positive parent/child interaction, assesses families, and promotes healthy childhood growth and development. Services provided include screening, assessment, home visits, team planning and referral to community services.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency (new)

County Served: Hillsdale; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 X 116; Grant Amount: \$34,285

The Healthy Beginnings Program promotes strong nurturing families and preventing abuse and neglect through the *Healthy Families America* and *Parents As Teachers* models. Services include: screening, assessment, personal home visits, team planning and referrals to community services.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Branch; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 x116; Grant Amount: \$186,366

This project of the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency and Branch County Intermediate School District and other community partners will serve families with children newborn to three years old with identified risk factors. Families will be screened, assessed and provided home visits to reduce abuse and neglect in the community using a Parents As Teachers curriculum.

Cadillac Area OASIS (Family Resource Center)

Counties Served: Wexford & Missaukee; Contact: Rhonda Weathers (231) 775-7299; Grant Amount: \$39,880

The Family Links Program provides home visiting services to families experiencing family, marital or partner conflict. Services include support services, parenting education, assisting the family in meeting medical, housing and childcare needs and helping to decrease family conflict and improve parent/child interaction.

Catholic Charities West Michigan

County Served: Muskegon; Contact: Monica Marshall (231) 726-4735; Grant Amount: \$164,354

The Healthy Families program is designed to promote healthy child and family development by reducing risk factors, promoting healthy habits, strengthening parent/child bonds, and empowering the family. Services include home visiting, parenting support and education, case management, support groups and assistance in accessing community resources.



Catholic Social Services

County served: Washtenaw; Contact: Christina Rivest (734) 761-1440; Grant Amount: \$200,000

The Healthy Families Program provides home visiting services to at-risk families with children age birth through three. Services include but are not limited to parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, transportation assistance and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Central Michigan District Health Department

County Served: Clare; Contact: Catrina Weber (989) 539-6731 x 19; Grant Amount: \$46,263

Success by Three serves pregnant women and families through home visits that provide parent education, bonding, child development, community resources and focus on individual needs. Program utilizes public health nurse and program coordinator to provide services and coordinate services to families enrolled.

Child and Family Resource Council

County Served: Kent; Contact: Bev Crandall, M.S. (616) 454-HOPE; Grant Amount: \$200,000

Kent County Healthy Start is a program based on the Healthy Families America model and is a family support program for first-time parents to ensure the health, development and safety of children ages 0-3. Kent County Healthy Start services may include an in-home assessment, phone support, and/or home visitation. Phone call support continues through the first year of their baby's life and home visitation can continue up to their baby's third birthday.

Child and Family Resource Council (new)

County Served: Kent; Contact: Bev Crandall, M.S. (616) 454-HOPE; Grant Amount: \$99,575

Kent County Healthy Start is a program based on the Healthy Families America model. This program includes an in-home assessment, phone call support, and/or home visitation for first-time parents. This funding specifically supports expanding services to at-risk parents and expectant parents, ages 25 and younger, with multiple children through home visiting services to ensure the health, development and safety of children ages prenatal through three years.

Clinton County Family Resource Center

County Served: Clinton; Contact: Howard Comstock (989) 224-1173; Grant Amount: \$120,436

The Healthy Start program will provide universal screening of all births in Clinton County, service coordination and referrals, home visiting services focusing on child development and parent-child interactions and long-term parenting education and support. The MELD child abuse and neglect prevention model will also be utilized.

Community Healing Center

County Served: Kalamazoo; Contact: Mary Hockstra (269) 343-1651 x 118; Grant Amount: \$152,360

The Parents as Partners/Healthy Families program provides a variety of services including regularly scheduled home visits, parent support groups, and a monthly newsletter. The program uses a variety of curriculums to work with families on developing basic parenting skills and an understanding of child development.

Dickinson/Iron District Health Department

Counties Served: Dickinson & Iron; Contact: Joyce Ziegler (906) 265-4156; Grant Amount: \$81,446

The I.M.P.E.T.U.S. project provides home visiting services focused on improving outcomes for the family. Services include parenting education, Welcome Newborn Resource Guide, parenting newsletters, and information/referral services.

District Health Department #2

Counties Served: Alcona, Iosco, Oscoda & Ogemaw; Contact: Debra Baumann, R.N. (989) 345-5020; Grant Amount: \$162,250

The Family Matters program will provide in-home services to at-risk families in the four-county area who are not eligible for other support services. Services will also include: parenting classes, monthly newsletters and information and referral services.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Alpena; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 354-4230; Grant Amount: \$123,244

The Day One program will be expanded by hiring two additional family support workers to serve all families identified as being at risk for child abuse and neglect. The program is modeled after the Healthy Families program and provides home visiting services, a parent support group, and information and referral services.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Montmorency; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 354-4230; Grant Amount: \$71,371

The Day One program will provide enhanced parenting education and support through home visiting services. The Healthy Start model is being used with the Building Strong Families curriculum and will focus on child development, discipline techniques and positive parent-child interaction.

District Health Department #10

Counties Served: Manistee & Crawford; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$145,026

The Collaborative Parent Education project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to maximize resources for at risk families in the rural counties of Manistee and Crawford, using the Parents As Teachers "Born to Learn" curriculum.



District Health Department #10 (new)

Counties Served: Manistee & Crawford; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$34,931

This project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to maximize resources for "at risk" families in the rural counties of Manistee and Crawford. The addition of the Parents as Teachers Nutrition and Fitness curriculum will help families develop their parenting skills in the area of nutrition and fitness as well the current developmental and parenting information. Support group time will be spent in physical activity such as a walking club or nutritional modules that provide ideas for healthy snacks.

District Health Department #10

Counties Served: Lake, Mason & Oceana; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$164,360

This project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to at-risk families in the rural counties of Mason, Lake and Oceana. The Parents as Teachers model will be used to provide home based parent education support, information/referral and advocacy services. Priority will be given to pregnant and parenting teens.

The Development Center

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Marilyn Schmitt (313) 531-2500; Grant Amount: \$164,360

The After Baby Comes project serves families in the City of Detroit, western Wayne County and the Downriver areas. Based on the Healthy Start Model, the project provides initial assessment, parent support, home visiting, supportive phone calls, infant massage and educational and play group opportunities.

EightCAP, Inc.

Counties Served: Isabella & Montcalm; Contact: Madonna Adkins or Danielle Moy (616) 754-9315; Grant Amount: \$119,452

Early Head Start provides home-based services for families with children 0-3 who have identified risk factors for child abuse and neglect. Services include: home visits, playgroups, parenting education & support, developmental assessments, health screenings & monitoring, linkage to community resources and overall case management.

Family and Children Services

County Served: Calhoun; Contact: Ted Lindberg (269) 569-8380; Grant Amount: \$137,819

Healthy Families Calhoun provides home visiting services to families with children between the ages of 0-3 years who have been identified to have risk factors for child abuse and neglect. Services provided include assessment, parenting education, linkages to health care services and case management.

Genesee Intermediate School District

County Served: Genesee; Contact: Gloria Bourdon (810) 591-4447; Grant Amount: \$84,360

Genesee I.S.D.'s S.K.I.P (Successful Kids Equals Involved Parents) uses the Parents as Teachers program model and curriculum. The program has an intensive home visitation component and educates parents on Safe Sleep principles.

Gratiot County Community Mental Health

County Served: Gratiot; Contact: Bob Radaz (989) 466-4163; Grant Amount: \$160,888

The Infant Mental Health Program at Gratiot County Community Mental Health serves at-risk mothers, fathers and infants with intensive, home-based services. The program offers case management, maternal infant psychotherapy, parent education and advocacy. The Infant Mental Health Model is used to promote attachment, improve parent-child relationships and teach about developmental guidelines.

Heartland Community Services

County Served: Mecosta; Contact: Donald Guernsey (231) 527-1890; Grant Amount: \$46,263

Parents and children will participate in the Nurturing Parent Program. The program shall consist of group based activities and on site home visits. Families will receive weekly assistance through a combination of activities. Transportation is provided to the group activities.

Heartland Community Services

County Served: Osceola; Contact: Donald Guernsey (866) 792-2133; Grant Amount: \$110,930

Parents and children will participate in the Nurturing Parent Program. The program shall consist of group based activities and in-home visits. Families will receive weekly assistance through a combination of activities. Transportation is provided to the group activities. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the parent support group which is designed to encourage parent networking and support.

Huron County Health Department

County Served: Huron; Contact: Gretchen Tenbusch (989) 269-9721; Grant Amount: \$48,749

Various services will be provided with the 0-3 grant including a 0-3 Family Mentor, playgroups and a Parenting the Second and Third Year Newsletters.



Ingham County Health Department

County Served: Ingham; Contact: Lisa Chambers (517) 702-3520; Grant Amount: \$135,560

The Jump Start Family Outreach Program provides voluntary, intensive, long-term support and education to families through home visiting services using the Healthy Families America model.

Ionia County Intermediate School District

County Served: Ionia; Contact: Cheryl Granzo (616) 527-4900, x1410; Grant Amount: \$148,650

The Begin with Babies project targets families that are low income and have three or more identified risk factors. The Parents As Teachers curriculum is used to assist families to increase their parenting knowledge and skills. Playgroups and home visiting services are also provided.

Monroe County Intermediate School District

County Served: Monroe; Contact: Douglas Redding (734) 242-5799 Ext. 1912; Grant Amount: \$28,076

The Great Expectations Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program is a collaborative venture between the Monroe County ISD, the Health Department and the nine local school districts. Pregnant teens and teen parents are provided education, information and referral, developmental assessment and parenting services through support groups and home visiting services.

Monroe County Intermediate School District (new)

County Served: Monroe; Expansion Grant: Contact: Douglas Redding (734) 242-5799, ext. 1912; Grant Amount: \$23,442

The Great Expectations Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program is expanded to include adult women with children ages birth to three who have been prenatally exposed to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Pregnant teens and parents are provided education, information and referral, developmental assessment and parenting services through educational groups and home visiting services.

MSU Extension – Bay County

County Served: Bay; Contact: Howard Wetters (989) 895-4026; Grant Amount: \$117,944

Expanded home visiting services, hospital screenings, a central intake and referral system that includes a 1-800 number and educational and developmental mailings for enrolled families will be provided for at-risk families in Bay County.

MSU Extension – Grand Traverse County

County Served: Grand Traverse; Contact: Jennifer Berkey (231) 922-4821; Grant Amount: \$147,575

The Healthy Futures program will be expanded by hiring one public health nurse to provide service coordination and home visits to at-risk families. Training on the Parents as Teachers Curriculum will also be available to county service providers.

MSU Extension – Sanilac County

County Served: Sanilac; Contact: Gail Innis (810) 648-2515; Grant Amount: \$84,360

Healthy Families Sanilac is modeled after the Healthy Start program and provides home visiting services to new parents. Through the program, families learn about child development, nutrition and infant feeding, appropriate guidance and discipline, infant and toddler health care and life skills.

Newaygo Public Schools

County Served: Newaygo; Contact: Shirley Rose (231) 652-3843; Grant Amount: \$162,250

The Parents as Teachers curriculum is integrated with direct services to strengthen the parent's ability to understand their child's development, improve parenting attitudes and prepare the child for school. Monthly home visits, health information, early identification and referrals, parenting groups and parenting education opportunities will also be provided to at-risk families.

Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency

Counties Served: Charlevoix & Emmet; Contact: Patricia Fralick (231) 347-6014; Grant Amount: \$195,574

The Teen Parent Program serves pregnant or parenting teens with parenting education, information and referral, home visits and access to substance abuse services and medical care.

Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency (new)

Counties Served: Otsego. Contact Person: Patricia Fralick (231-347-5628). Grant Amount: \$50,752.

The Otsego County Teen Parent Program serves pregnant or parenting teens with parenting education, information and referrals, home and school visits, support to complete an educational program and access to substance abuse services and medical care.

Oakland Family Services

County Served: Oakland; Contact: Christine White (248) 858-7766, ext. 319; Grant Amount: \$124,360

The Fussy Baby Program is targeted at families with infants and toddlers from birth to three years who are evidencing regulatory or behavioral difficulties that place them at high risk for abuse and neglect. The program offers assessment, service planning, coordination and intervention in a strength-based, family friendly prevention service model.



Saginaw Co. Child Abuse & Neglect Council

County Served: Saginaw; Contact: Suzanne Greenberg (989) 752-7226; Grant Amount: \$204,360

The Birth Through Three Educational Program is based on the Healthy Families America model and utilizes the Parents as Teachers, Building Strong Families and SKI*HI Parent/Infant curriculums. The program provides comprehensive assessment, weekly home visiting and parent support services.

Salvation Army

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Maureen Northrup (313) 537-2130; Grant Amount: \$74,250

The Next Step program targets pregnant and parenting teenage mothers with children birth through three. The grant will expand the program to serve more families and will also provide intensive services in the areas of home visits, case management and group services.

Shiawassee County Health Department

County Served: Shiawassee; Contact: Rose Mary Asman (989) 743-2355; Grant Amount: \$139,854

The Healthy Families program will be expanded to provide home visiting services to at-risk families in Shiawassee County. Case management and linkages to other needed services will be provided by a multi-disciplinary team.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Kelly Baber (248) 443-0300; Grant Amount: \$164,360

The Parenting Consortium program targets low income families who live in Detroit, Highland Park and Hamtramck who are pregnant or have at least one child between birth and age three. Services include parenting education, child assessment, health and economic support services and linkages with community resources.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Macomb; Contact: Kelly Baber (248) 443-0300; Grant Amount: \$200,000

This program has an outreach worker who will provide intensive services to address the risk factors for child maltreatment in families with children birth through 47 months of age. Family assessments (Individual Service Plans), case management, information and referral and linkages to community services will be provided. Judson Center-Macomb will partner with Spaulding to provide parent training using the Nurturing Parenting Program, Parenting with Love & Logic, the Caring for My Family curriculum and other models and curriculums as identified by the Advisory Committee based on client input.

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

County Served: Oakland; Contact: Melissa Freel (248) 335-5638 x 2; Grant Amount: \$164,360

Healthy Start/Healthy Families Oakland works with St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and Providence Hospital to screen all newborn families. At risk families will receive home visiting services to promote healthy child growth and development, improved parent-child relationships, and enhanced family functioning.

Tuscola County Health Department

County Served: Tuscola; Contact: Kathy Pokorski (989) 673-8114 x115; Grant Amount: \$135,898

Home visiting services will be expanded and support groups will be created for at-risk families in Tuscola County. Services will be coordinated through a central intake, assessment and database tracking of families.

Van Buren Zero To Three Project

County served: Van Buren; Contact: Margie Murphy (269) 674-8091 x 385; Grant Amount: \$175,000

The Healthy Families Program provides home visiting services to at risk families with children age birth through three. Services include but are not limited to parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, transportation assistance and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Women's Resource Center

County Served: Livingston; Contact: Pam Carter (517) 548-2200; Grant Amount: \$63,608

The Healthy Families Livingston program serves at-risk families with home visiting services. By nurturing the parent or other caregiver, the family support workers encourage appropriate behavior, goal setting and health maintenance, teach problem solving skills and assist the family with healthy parent-child interaction and child development.

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